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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ETRN, FR

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: EXTORTION LETTERS TO PANAM AND TWA
IN PARIS

REF: PARIS 13752

1. EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED BY PANAM AND FRENCH
POLICE OF RECEIPT JUNE 7 OF ANOTHER IN SERIES OF
EXTORTION LETTERS ADDRESSED TO PANAM. (ACTUALLY
THIS WAS FIFTH LETTER RECEIVED AND NOT FOURTH AS
REFTEL WOULD SUGGEST.)

2. UNSIGNED LETTER, TYPEWRITTEN AS WERE PREVIOUS,
IS SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS: "WE MAY BE ABLE TO
REFUSE THE LOAN REQUESTED", BUT IF SO IT WOULD BE
TO AVOID CRITICISM OF "BROTHER COUNTRIES" FOR HAVING
ASKED FOR FRENCH FRs. IF MONEY IS NEEDED, HOWEVER,
DELIVERY WOULD BE ON JUNE 17 OR 24 AND INSTRUCTIONS
WOULD BE GIVEN BY LETTER ON PRECEDING FRIDAY.
WE HAVE LEARNED IN PRESS OF POSSIBLE ARRIVAL IN
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EUROPE OF THREE JAPANESE. WE HAVE NO ADDITIONAL

INFO, BUT IF THIS IS THE GROUP WE THINK IT IS THERE
COULD BE MURDEROUS DESTRUCTION OF CIVILIANS. "OUR
TWO CHIEFS" WILL ADVISE OF ACTION PLANNED BY JAPANESE
SO THAT POLICE CAN STOP THEM, FOR WHILE WE ARE
ENGAGED IN SAME STRUGGLE THEY DO NOT SERVE OUR CAUSE
BY KILLING CIVILIANS. ALERT FRENCH POLICE AFTER
RETURN TO PARIS "ONCE OUR CHIEFS HAVE GOTTEN OFF
THE TRAIN" AND ALSO POINT OUT TO POLICE THIS IS ONLY
SHORT-TERM LOAN. "MY CHIEFS ARE CONVINCED AND I
AGREE" THAT PANAM AND TWA ARE BOTH DESIROUS OF
AVOIDING DESTRUCTION AND OF SAVING LIVES. WOULD BE
FOOLISH TO TRICK US BY PUTTING PAPER IN MONEY
PACKAGE OR DEVICE ALLOWING US TO BE DISCOVERED.
COMRADE WHO WILL TAKE DELIVERY OF PACKAGE IS AWARE
OF NOTHING AND GRAVE REPRISALS WILL RESULT IF
EFFORT IS MADE TO HAVE OUR CHIEFS ARRESTED ON TRAIN.
"THANK YOU FOR OUR REPUTATION."
IRWIN

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